



Docket No.: HE 8698 US  
Date: November 4, 2004

In re application of: Gerdes, et al.	
Serial No.: 10/685,009	Group No.: 2859
Filed: October 14, 2003	Examiner: Travis M. Reis
For: IMPROVED VEHICLE COMPONENT CENTERING SYSTEM FOR VEHICLE SERVICE DEVICES	

St. Louis, Missouri

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is:

- ☒ Response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated October 29, 2004, responding to Applicant's October 14, 2004 response to the Office Action of September 21, 2004 setting forth an Election/Restriction requirement;
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

Small Entity Status:

- ☒ Applicant DOES NOT claim small entity status.

The fee has been calculated as shown:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate – Other Than A Small Entity	Rate – Small Entity	Additional Fee
Total Claims	39 -	60 =	0	\$18.00	\$9.00	0.00
Indep. Claims	5 -	10 =	0	\$88.00	\$44.00	0.00
Total Additional Fee:						\$00.00

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account 162201. Duplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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Centering System For Vehicle  
Service Devices

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#### AMENDMENT A

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2004 responding to Applicant's October 14<sup>th</sup> response to the Office Action of September 21, 2004 setting forth an Election / Restriction requirement, please enter the following amendments:

- Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2.
- Detailed Remarks begin on Page 14.